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Prior Application: 08/994,674
Examiner: P. Caldwell
Art Unit: 2151

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.60, of pending prior application Serial No. 08/994,674, filed on December 19, 1997, of William G. Parry for STREAM CLASS DRIVER FOR COMPUTER OPERATING SYSTEM.

A. Enclosures.

Enclosed are the following documents:

X A complete copy of the prior application.

___ Drawings comprising _____ pages of _____ figures.

X A Declaration at page 5 hereof verifying the application and drawings above to be true copies of the same filed in the prior application.

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- X A copy of the oath or declaration as originally filed in the parent application.
- ___ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ___ A Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" certifying a filing date for the enclosed application of by use of Express Mail Label No. .
- ___ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed, including a transmittal letter with fee calculation and Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the additional fees required.
- X Check No. 122143 in the amount of \$690.00 covering the filing fee.
- ___ An Associate Power of Attorney.

B. Instructions.

- ___ Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- X Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: -- This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/994,674, filed December 19, 1997.--
- X Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.
- X Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of:

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C. Averments.

The prior application is assigned of record to Microsoft Corporation, as recorded at reel 8936, frame 0562 (3 pgs).

- X The power of attorney currently in effect in the prior application is to: patent agents listed under the following Customer Number:



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____ The power appears in the originally filed papers of the prior application.

X Since the power does not appear in the originally filed papers of the prior application, a copy of the power currently in effect in the prior application is enclosed.

D. Payments

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below.

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FOR	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
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IND. CLAIMS	-3=		X 39		X 78=	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+130=		+260=	
			TOTAL		TOTAL	\$690

____ Please debit Deposit Account No. 23-3178 in the amount of \$_____ for the government filing fee. Triplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. Copies in triplicate of this sheet are enclosed.

X Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

____ The issue fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b).

X Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.

DECLARATION

I hereby certify that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application Serial No. 08/994,674, filed December 19, 1997.

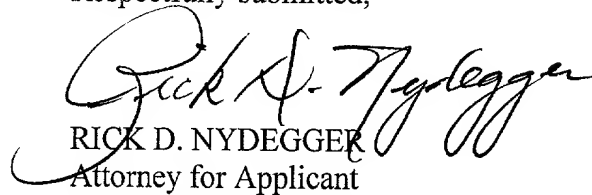
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Dated this 25th day of July, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



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